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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :)
HIROKI KISHI :) Examiner: Anand S. Rao
Application No.: 09/851,559 :) Group Art Unit: 2613
Filed: May 10, 2001 :)
For: CODING DEVICE, CODING METHOD :)
AND STORAGE MEDIUM :) September 20, 2004

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The claim amendments are reflected in the listing that begins at page 2. The Remarks begin at page 17.

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